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SUBJECT : NPT EXPORTERS COMMITTEE AND SUPPLIERS GROUP TRIGGER
LIST

1. SUMMARY: CONSENSUS OF SUPPLIERS IS THAT OCTOBER ZANGGER
COMMITTEE (ZC) MEETING SHOULD BE DELAYED, THAT ZC SHOULD CONTINUE
TO EXIST SEPARATELY FROM SUPPLIERS GROUP, AND THAT ROLE OF ZC
SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE RESTRICTED TO SPECIFIC IMPLEMENTATION
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QUESTIONS RELATED TO NPT ARTICLE III.2. END SUMMARY.

2. IN INFORMAL DISCUSSION LAST WEEK AMONG UK (WILMSHURST, SLATER), CANADA (BEESLEY, MCMANUS, HAFLEY), AND US (BORIGHT, LABOWITZ, SIEVERING), CANADA ASKED FOR REACTIONS TO DRAFT PAPER HARMONIZING ZC AND SUPPLIER UNDERSTANDINGS. (COPIES BEING CARRIED TO WASHINGTON AND VIENNA BY DELEGATIONS MEMBERS.) DRAFT INCLUDED EXTENSIVE CHANGES REFLECTING ASPECTS OF SUPPLY POLICY AND SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO NPT OBLIGATIONS. US AND UK GAVE INITIAL REACTIONS THAT ZC WORK MIGHT BETTER REMAIN SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO NPT IMPLEMENTATION.

3. CANADA AND UK ALSO INDICATED THEIR UNDERSTANDING THAT SWISS WOULD WELCOME DELAY OF OCTOBER 28 ZC MEETING DUE TO PARLIAMENTARY HEARINGS ON NPT IN EARLY NOVEMBER. CANADA AND UK WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO SUCH DELAY, AND IN FACT SEE ADVANTAGES. INFORMAL CHECKS WITH FRG, SOVIET AND JAPANESE DELS ALSO INDICATED NO PROBLEM WITH DELAY.

4. ON SEPTEMBER 27 SWISS DELEGATION (ZANGGER, VON ARX, QUINCHE, PICTET) HOSTED DINNER FOR UK (SLATER, JENKINS), FRG (HOFFMAN, VON WAGNER, FREITAG), CANADA (BEESLEY, HAFLEY), AND US (STONE, LABOWITZ, BORIGHT) FOR QUOTE BRAINSTORMING UNQUOTE SESSION ON FUTURE OF ZC. SWISS REPS INDICATED CONSIDERABLE CONCERN OVER WHAT THEY SEE AS IMPROPER SITUATION IN SUPPLIER GROUP, IN THAT NO PREFERENCE IS GIVEN TO NPT PARTIES, AND UNDERTAKINGS BEYOND NPT PROVISIONS ARE TO BE ASKED OF NPT PARTY RECIPIENT STATES. THIS HAS ATTRACTED ATTENTION IN SWITZERLAND, NECESSITATING HEARINGS ON QUESTION, AND COMPLICATING NPT RATIFICATION.

5. RE FUTURE OF ZC, ZANGGER BELIEVES IT SHOULD CONTINUE TO FUNCTION IN ITS WELL-DEFINED CONTINUING TASK. FRG REPS STRONGLY CONCURRED IN THIS VIEW, AND NO CONTRARY OPINION WAS STATED. SWISS AND FRG REPS ALSO GAVE EXTENSIVE EXPLANATION OF VIEW THAT TECHNOLOGY CANNOT BE CONTROLLED EXCEPT IN PHYSICAL FORM SINCE QUOTE THE HUMAN MIND UNQUOTE CANNOT BE CONTROLLED, THE SWISS CITING THEIR WATCH-MAKING TECHNOLOGY EXPERIENCE. US AND TO SOME EXTENT CANADA CAUTIONED AGAINST GIVING UP ON CONTROL OF SENSITIVE TECHNOLOGY, AND NOTED THAT TRANSFER OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY PARTICULARLY TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IS IN FACT SUBSTANTIAL UNDERTAKING GENERALLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO REGULATION. CONFIDENTIAL

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6. AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING ZANGGER AND SLATER SAID THEY WOULD BE NOTIFYING ALL ZC MEMBERS IN NEXT DAY OR TWO OF PROPOSED DELAY OF ZC MEETING UNTIL PROBABLY EARLY JANUARY (DATE TO BE DECIDED LATER). ZANGGER PLANS TWO-DAY MEETING, PRECEDED BY DAY OF CONSULTATIONS BY HIM. DEXTER

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